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A Message from the Alumni President

President Dowell's Letter

Auburn's R. O. T. C.

Athletic Prospects 1927-28

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Where Are They?

Letters sent to these alumni are repeatedly returned. Can't you give us the correct address for some of them? If so, you will aid the Association in securing a complete alumni file by supplying this information immediately to the Alumni Office, Auburn, Alabama.

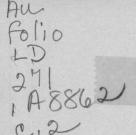
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Football Tickets

FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 1927 SEASON

MAIL ORDERS for tickets to the following out-of-town games will be filled by the Auburn Athletic Association as follows: the L. S. U. game in Montgomery, the Geor gia game in Columbus, the Mississippi A. & M. game in Birmingham and the Georgia Tech game in Atlanta.

TICKETS TO THE two remaining games away from Auburn may be purchased direct by alumni in the cities where the games are played as follows: for the Howard game in Birmingham, the Gray Sporting Goods Company, and for the Tulane game in New Orleans, Tulane Athletic Council, New Orleans, La.

THOUGH THE SALES ARE NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS TO THE ALUMNI, THE VERY BEST TICKETS AVAILABLE WILL BE FURNISHED YOU.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO

ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE (ATHLETICS)

Orders not accompanied by remittance can not be filled.

Patrons of	other than d	alumni should secure	tickets from the regular agencies listed below:
DATE	GAME	WHERE PLAYED	ORDER TICKETS FROM
Oct. 15—	L. S. U.—N	Montgomery	May & Green, Montgomery, Ala.
Oct. 22—Georgia—Columbus			Georgia-Auburn Football Association, Columbus. Ga.
Oct. 29—	Howard—Bi	irmingham	No mail orders—Purchase at Birmingham
Nov. 5-	-Tulane-No	ew Orleans	Tulane Athletic Council, New Orleans, La.
Nov. 12—	Miss A. & I	M.—Birmingham	Gray's Sporting Goods Co., Birmingham, Ala.
Nov. 24—	-Tech—Atla	nta	Prof. A. H. Armstrong, c/o Ga. Tech Athletic Ass'n., Atlanta, Ga.
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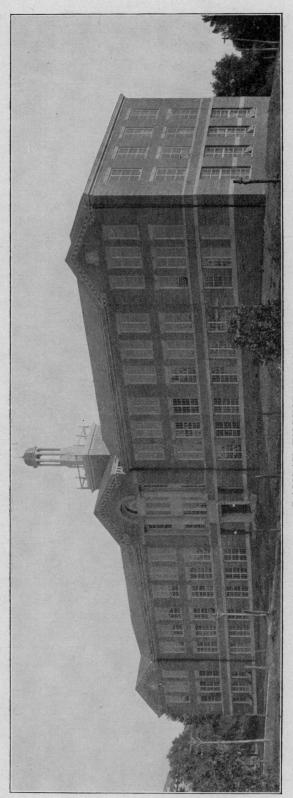
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Chairman Athletic Council, Auburn, Alabama

Please send me reserved seats for football games indicated delow. Enclosed is a

Game	Number of tickets desired	Total for this game	Price
L. S. U.—Oct. 15			at \$2.50 each
Georgia—Oct. 22			at \$2.50 each
Miss. A. & M.—Nov. 12			at \$2.50 each
Tech—Nov. 24			at \$2.50 each

No tickets sold at Auburn to off-the-campu	s Total (Add 25c for mailing
games other than those listed above.	and registration) \$
	Signed
	Address



The new Ramsay Engineering Hall is the lutest addition to the college plant at a cost of \$250,000. Mr. Erskine Ramsay of Birming-nam contributed \$100,000 of this amount. Among the departments accomodated in this fire-proof building are: Civil, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering together with the department of Machine Design. RAMSAY ENGINEERING HALL

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An Open Letter From the Alumni President

TO THE AUBURN ALUMNI:

A new day has dawned for Auburn and I am sending you greetings and good news. The AUBURN ALUM-NUS which was discontinued in March, 1921, is appearing again to

strengthen the bonds which hold Auburn men together in loyalty to their Alma Mater. Elsewhere in this issue you will find information about the Legislatures's provision for Auburn's growth and development during the next four years. The unified program for Schools in Alabama sponsored by the Alabama Educational Association, the Legislature, and the Governor. have secured means for the most significant development in the history of the State.

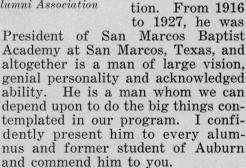
The call is now

for the Alumni Association to do its part in aiding the College to attain full efficiency in service and to do this must strengthen its organization.

For several years Dr. Dowell, the able and efficient President of the Institution, together with your President and other leaders have urged that the Association could not do its best work without an Executive Secretary, giving all or a large part of his time to the affairs of the Association.

At a recent meeting of the Executive and Athletic Committee, in conjunction with your President, held at Auburn we feel that we have solved this problem, and I take great pleasure in announcing that with the epen-

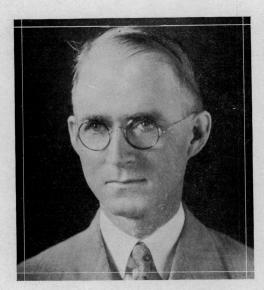
ing of this College year, Dr. J. V. Brown has assumed his duties as our Alumni Secretary. Dr. Brown is a member of the class of 1895. He was Captain of our first football team ever organized in Auburn; he loves the Institution and is in sympathy with its aims and ambitions; he is efficient, vigorous, intelligent. For a number of years he was Superintendent of schools in Dothan: was influential member of the Alabama Educa-WILLIAM H. SAMFORD tional Associa-



One of the first projects in our program is the Auburn Alumnus. Auburn men here and scattered



President Auburn Alumni Association



DR. ZEBULON V. JUDD Director 1927 Summer Session

throughout the Nation must know what the College is doing and what personal successes have been attained by men trained at Auburn for the business of life. We must have additional ways of collecting and using the advice and wisdom of Auburn men for the upbuilding of the Institution, and the furtherance of the ambitions of those who year by year go out into the world of business.

In this good work Dr. Brown has already made much progress. Local Auburn Clubs must cooperate more closely with the College and new Clubs must be organized throughout the State and Nation. We must publish as soon as practicable a revised catalogue of our Alumni, telling what they have attained and where they now reside. We need more and better scholarships for those bright boys without means of securing a College course.

These are some of the things within the vision of your President, your Committee and your Executive Secretary.

I call upon every loyal Alumnus of this Institution to rally to his support. Faithfully yours,

William H. Samford, President, Auburn Alumni Association.

The 1927 Summer Session

The summer school again conducted under the direction of Dean Zebulon Judd of the Department of Education was a most successful session. The enrollment of 1,022 different students during the two terms marked the largest summer school in the history of Auburn. The total registration was 1,442.

Forty seven degrees from the various departments were awarded by President Spright Dowell at the commencement exercises on the 19th of August in Langdon Hall.

Dr. Eugene C. Branson of the University of North Carolina delivered the baccalaureate address in which he emphasized the necessity of a knowledge of books and human nature as prerequisites to success in life. "Books," ' stated Dr. Branson, "make knowledge cumulative; by enabling one to begin at the point of highest achievement by students of the past, from which it is possible to delve even farther into the realm of truth. In addition, one must possess the ability to live congenially with his associates; such an ability being dependent upon an understanding of human nature."

According to Dean Judd, the study done during the 1927 summer session was of a much higher character than that of past summers. This was due to the fact that the student body as a whole was of a more mature and purposeful type than heretofore. The State De-The State Department's elimination of pre-normal certificates open to high school graduates was responsible for the absence of a large number of these young candidates. Many students were public school teachers coming to Auburn for the definite purpose of completing certain certificate requirements.

There were 87 Normal school graduates and 180 college graduates among the student body. Regular A. P. I. undergraduates constituted the remainder of the enrollment.

To the Alumni of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute

It is a great joy to have the privilege of extending my warm personal and official greetings through this new organ of the Alumni Association. At each annual meeting I have made the observation that one of the outstanding needs of the institution is an active alumni organization with resources to employ an alumnus of recognized ability as Executive Secretary, to maintain a suitable working staff, to publish an official bulletin, and to set up a program worthy of an institution with the traditions and record of Auburn.

Some two months ago, Mr. J. V. Brown, a distinguished alumnus of the Institution, who has a most satisfactory background of training, experience and proven ability, upon the invitation of the President of the Alumni Association and with the cooperation of the Auburn administration, accepted the responsibility of securing increased alumni support for the purpose of providing suitable machinery and the necessary financial support to do a significant and essential work. It so happened that a vacancy in the Faculty Chairmanship of Athletics made it practicable to combine the Alumni Secretaryship and the Chairmanship of Athletics and to interest Mr. J. V. Brown in accepting the joint responsibility.

Suitable quarters for the Executive Secretary and staff have been provided in the Gymnasium which was erected some years ago by the alumni as a concrete expression of their love and loyalty. A modern office has been equipped and Mr. Brown and his associates will always be happy to welcome alumn and friends.

The Gymnasium, which is the center of athletic and certain other student activities as well as the home of the Alumni Association,



DR. SPRIGHT DOWELL
President, Alabama Polytechnic Institute

has been impoved and beautified from basement to roof, and is one of the most attractive and popular places on the campus. It is hoped that you will visit Auburn on Home Coming Day and see for yourself just what has been done and is being accomplished.

The Legislature has made possible a decided expansion in the facilities and work of the institution and the cooperation of alumni, as evidenced by the more effective program of the alumni, will doubtless have a very wholesome effect in making the institution measure up to its incomparable opportunity in building a "better Auburn" and a "better Alabama."

I wish to extend my hearty congratulations and good wishes and to be peak for the Association unqualified success.

Sincerely, SPRIGHT DOWELL, President.

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A life membership in the Association is \$100.00 including subscription to publications and all dues.

A yearly supporting membership is \$10.00, including a subscription to the Alumnus and dues.

A subscription to the Alumnus is \$2.00.

Payment of dues and all other communications should be addressed to J. V. Brown, Executive Secretary Alumni Association, Auburn, Alabama.

J. V. Brown, M. S., Auburn, '95, Editor C. K. Brown, Asst. Editor

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The Auburn Alumnus is revived with this issue after its suspension since March, 1921, save for one number which appeared in May, 1923 under the name, The Auburn Review. The present title was adopted because the first alumni magazine bore this name continually after its initial appearance in August, 1912. Also it was the feeling of the Executive Committee that this name is better established than that of the Auburn In addition the name Review. "Alumnus" aids in readily identifying the nature of the bulletin. As the last issue published under the name of the Auburn Alumnus appearing in March, 1921, bore the number, Volume VIII, Number 3, this issue is designated Volume IX, Number 1.

Financing the Alumnus

It is with great faith in Auburn alumni that the magazine is again launched. It must sustain itself financially. No funds are forthcoming except from the advertising —which we hope to secure once the magazine is established—and from your subscriptions. Of the \$5 membership fee, \$2 is credited to the Alumnus. Likewise does the Alumnus receive \$2 from the other types of membership dues.

A sample copy of this first issue is being sent to 2,000 alumni, this being all the correct addresses available. Through financial necessity we are forced to limit the future distributions only to subscribers. We realize that the Association would benefit by a complete distribution of the magazine to every alumnus regardless of subscriptions or dues, but the lack of funds makes this impossible at the present time.

We are hoping that the Alumnus will be favorably received with the result that several hundred alumni will subscribe by sending in their dues before the appearance of the second issue in December.

July Meeting of Alumni Officers

At a call meeting of the Vice-Presidents and special committees in conjunction with the Executive Committee held in Auburn, July 18, the following measures were adopted for the Alumni Association:

a—That the annual dues remain five dollars.

b—That the supporting dues be ten dollars.

c—That the life membership fee be changed from fifty dollars to one hundred dollars.

d—That the office of Alumni Secretary be changed to Executive Secretary.

e—That the following budget from September 1, 1927 to August 31, 1928 be \$7,500 to include the printing of an alumni magazine, the salary and office expense of a part-time Executive Secretary, and a fund for scholarships and incidentals.

In an effort to secure funds for the above budget of \$7,500, the newly appointed Executive Secretary, spent several weeks during the past summer soliciting dona-

tions among the alumni. Approxi-\$2,500 of this needed mately amount was contributed. An appeal to the alumni of New York City and further contact with Alabama Alumni are contemplated during the fall with a view to completely financing the budget. Success in this will permit a modest beginning toward the establishment of an alumni office that, we trust, will serve the alumni and Auburn in a worthy manner.

An Old Verdict Is Brought to Light

Last June while making a desperate search for a suitable wooden box in which to send some articles home, R. B. Hobdy, a Sophomore this year, found an old box under Mrs. S. C. Winston's home on South Gay Street, addressed to his father who attended school at Auburn during the years 1895-99.

The box was well constructed, having a top that was attached by rusty hinges. These bulky hinges were quite an outstanding feature in the dilapidated appearance of the box. The address was hardly However the following legibile. inscription was finally made out: Cadet J. B. Hobdy, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama. The post office stamp was marked March 6, 1897.

On being questioned as to use made of the box the father stated that a special Thanksgiving dinner was sent to him in this old contain-He stressed the fact that its size was due to the two large turkeys which it held back in '97. However some of the old classmates of Mr. Hobdy claim that the box contained an abundant supply of prevolstead beer.

John E. Walker, '10, M. D. of Johns Hopkins, is now taking post graduate work at the School of Hygiene and Public Health of Johns Hopkins University. He is a brother of State Senator Walker of Opelika. The course he is taking leads to a degree of doctor of science.

Eighteen Professors Added

Resulting from the progressive educational program adopted for Alabama by the recent legislature with the support of Governor Bibb Graves, eighteen new faculty members have been added to the Auburn's instructional staff for the scholastic year 1927-'28. professors and instructors, who will in a large measure make the employment of student assistants unnecessary, come to Auburn from many of the most prominent universities in the United States. President Spright Dowell was greatly pleased to announce this expansion in the faculty which had hitherto been impossible through lack of adequate appropriation.

Approximately 1600 students have entered for the fall semester. A very successful Freshman week was conducted before the opening to aid 500 new students in making their adjustment to the newness of

college life.

A Dog Takes His Masters Degree

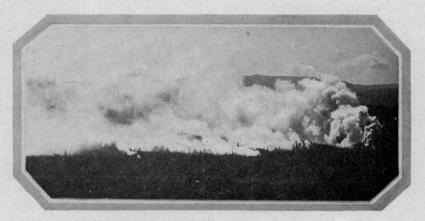
Sensing the feeling of uncertainty that is apt to haunt any candidate for a degree before receiving the registrar's final recommendation for graduation, this little dog may have desired to aid his master in securing a diploma or the pup may have possessed some super-dog reading ability, hitherto unknown among those of his phylum. way this is what occurred:

During the rush just prior to the summer school commencement exercises on the 19th of August, the freshly signed diplomas of the graduates were spread out on tables to dry. Prof. B. L. Shi was startled to see a small dog placidly trotting from the office bearing one of the coveted sheepskins in his mouth.

On recovering the diploma it was found to bear the name of Holt A. Pitts, the owner of the dog. When Mr. Pitts came to the registrar's office seeking information concerning his graduation his dog had followed him.

Auburn's Reserve Officers Training Corps

BY MAJOR JOHN THOMAS KENNEDY, F. A., U. S. Commandant and Head Professor of Military Science and Tactics



Field Artillery Unit Lays Down Barage, Ft. Bragg, N. C.

(In response to a request of the alumni office, Major Kennedy gladly wrote this article for your information, outlining the Government's present work at Auburn through its R. O. T. C. unit. Under the leadership of Major Kennedy and his staff of eight U. S. Army officers, Auburn has continued to receive the highest possible rating by the War Department—that of a "distinguished unit." This recognition has come to Auburn's military department for the past eight years.—Editor.)

Alabama Polytechnic Institute is one of the Land Grant Colleges established by an Act of Congress, commonly known as the Morrill Act. This act, approved July 2, 1862 donated lands to several states, "for the endowment, support and maintainance of at least

one college, where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including Military Tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to the Agricultural and Mechanical Arts—in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions of life." In accordance with the provisions of this act under which the college was established. Military Science and Tactics has been a part of the curriculum since 1872.

With the experience of the World War in mind, Congress, in 1920, amended the National Defense Act



Auburn Students Firing 75 Millimeter Guns in Summer Camp

of 1916. Under this legislation the Army of the United States consists of three components—the Regular Army, the National Guard while in the service of the United States, and the Organized Reserves. This act is a splendidly conceived law whose spirit accords thoroughly with the principles of our democratic government. Under its provisions a suitable minimum military structure can be built up that will give the Nation the security among world powers which its prominence and wealth justify.

The Reserve Officer's Training Corps is that part of our present scheme of National Defense which has for its object the military training of the college student for the purpose of developing those youths of character and education who will make the leaders of future American manpower. The Reserve Officer's Training Corps means an assured supply of highly intelligent Reserve Officers trained and eqiupped to lead efficiently the Reserve Army in the event of National emergency. It is believed that the student who avails himself of the opportunity offered by the military department of this institution will graduate a better man for himself, for his family and for his country. He will go out better prepared for peace as well as for war.

Military Science and Tactics at this institution is a required subject for Freshmen and Sophomores. It is an elective subject for Juniors and Seniors. There are two R. O. T. C. Units at present at Auburn, Field Artillery and Engineers. The total enrollment in the R. O. T. C. Course at the beginning of the academic year 1926-27 was 1188. Of this number about one fourth belonged to the Engineer Unit and three fourths to the Field Artillery Unit. All students of the Freshman and Sophomore Classes are cadet privates; those of the Junior class, cadet non-commissioned officers; and those of the Senior Class, cadet officers.

The R. O. T. C. course is a four year course and includes one period

of summer camp training of six weeks. A student who successfully completes the four year course of Military Science and Tactics is commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Reserve Corps, in the arm in which he has received his training,—Field Artillery or Engineers.

The record of the Reserve Officer's Training Corps at Auburn is an enviable one indeed. For eight consecutive years it has been rated a "Distinguished Unit" by the War Department. The Pistol Team of the Field Artillery Unit has three times won the National Matches, in competition with most of the larger colleges and universities of the country.

The major accomplishment of the Reserve Officer's Training Corps at this institution is the annual output of approximately one hundred twenty-five Reserve Officers, trained in their respective branches and capable of leading men intelligently in combat should the need arise. But it does more than this. Auburn develops leadership, teaches its students proper respect for authority, stresses precision and accuracy in the discharge of duty, and promptness in meeting obligations.

General Bullard Weds

Major General Robert Lee Bullard, U. S. A., retired, was married to Mrs. Ella Reiff Wall, widow of Duncan Wall of Philadelphia, on August 24, in New York City. The ceremony, which took place at Mrs. Wall's hotel apartments, was performed by the Rev. Father Dineen, a retired army chaplin. After a short wedding trip they made their home in New York.

General Bullard entered the military academy July 1, 1881, after completing the junior year at Auburn. The General rose to the command of the second American army during the Word War.

W. L. Holmes, B. S., in Ag., '19, is at present an instructor of physics and chemistry in Pensacola High School.



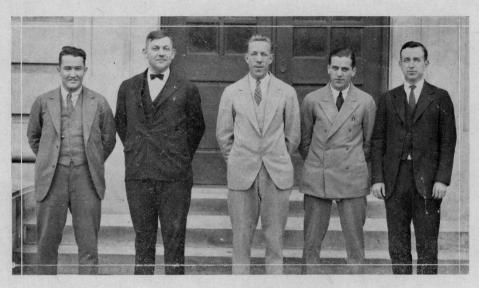
ENTRANCE OF THE ALUMNI GYMNASIUM

More than \$10,000 is being expended by the college to completely recondition this building which was dedicated February 22, 1916 as a gift from the alumni. Separate clubroom space with adjoining showers has been arranged for the Varsity, Scrub and Freshman teams. A drying room for removing the moisture from athletic equipment in damp weather is being fitted up. In addition to refinishing the walls throughout, the tile roof was taken up and entirely relaid. This building is now the home of the alumni office.

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TIGER COACHING STAFF

Left to Right: R. C. Brown, Freshman Coach; J. E. Pitts, Assistant Football Coach; David B. Morey, Head Coach; A. P. Papke, Basketball Coach; W. H. Hutsell, Track Coach.

Our New Trophy Room

To the alumni:

Auburn should have a Trophy Room in the Alumni Gymnasium. Such a room adequately equipped with display cases to exhibit the trophies and medals won by Auburn athletes together with pictures of all teams arranged systematically in panels along the wall, would assist greatly in perpetuating Auburn's athletic history. In addition the collection will serve as a point of interest to visitors and alumni for years to come.

To this end the members of the A Club have consented for this trophy collection to be placed in their quarters at the gymnasium, and Coach W. H. Hutsell has gladly agreed to direct the establishment of the Trophy Room.

After checking over the athletic pictures now in our hands we find

that those of the following football teams are missing, 1895, 1897, 1899, 1900, 1902, 1903, 1905, 1910, 1911, and 1914. If you can supply us with any of these pictures we will have a reproduction made for the collection here, and the original will be returned to you at once. You can greatly aid us in this project by sending in these missing photographs immediately.

Trophies of any description or pictures of any Auburn team or players will find a permanent place in this collection. Through your cooperation we can equip a Trophy Room within a very short time that will be worthy of the name and a credit to Auburn.

Sincerely yours,

J. V. Brown, Chairman Athletic Council

Our Chances This Year in Football

BY DAVID B. MOREY Head Football Coach

With a week of practice over, Auburn's football prospects begin to take definite form. Fifty odd candidates for the 1927 grid team reported Monday, September 7, and twice daily since then have been working on Drake Field.

At present, the indications are that Auburn will be weak in so far as experienced reserve material is concerned. Several experienced candidates who were expected to return, have dropped out of college, and the coaches are working to make satisfactory replacements.

In the first line up, the positions of right end, right guard, left tackle and quarterback must be filled with new men. The loss of Salter, Long and Baskin has left big holes in the line. However, in Carter, Howard, Spinks, Cunningham, Paterson, Burns, and Ingram, there are possibilities of a fairly strong line. Captain Paterson at center, developed rapidly last year and should be one of the South's out-

standing centers. With a bit more experience, Mosely, Pearce, Holtz-claw, Burt, Spence, Andress, and Long will provide the Tigers with another fairly strong line.

Alternate Captain Shotts at full back looks to be in for a great year. Although not a large man, Shotts is a splendid field general, a hard hitter, fast, shifty, and one of the best defensive men in the South. With Snyder, Fisher, Hartselle, Ellis. Taylor, Tamplin, Callahan, Ward, Adams, Granger, Cosper, Lively, Sellars and Newsome, the backfield berths will be well cared for. The Tiger backfield will not boast of much weight, but will be fast and shifty.

The chief difficulty is to find a quarterback. Although Adams, Ward, Lively and Cosper all show possibility, none of these men have had experience.

The biggest handicap facing the coaches is inexperienced material.

A Word About the '26-'27 Auburn Dribblers and Prospects for the Coming Season

By A. P. PAPKE Basketball Coach

After giving the football men a week's lay-off when the football season closed, actual practice began December 1. Two games scheduled with Southern and Howard were cancelled by these two institutions making it rather difficult to see the men under fire. After the Christmas holidays we traveled to Tech and lost by a two point margin after a five minute over-time period. Then came the record march of the Tigers in winning 13 consecutive games over A. & M., Tulane, Florida, Georgia Tech, Sewanee, and Next followed a trip Clemson.

through Tennessee which in a way was not so favorable to our followers, but it must be understood that four games were played in succession and on foreign courts.

On this trip, two of our men were badly injured and therefore handicapped in the tournament in Atlanta.

The coming season looks very promising with the first string men returning and with the help of some promising looking men coming up from the freshman team.

Fob James has been elected to lead the Tigers the coming season.

With the fighting spirit of this captain which he will pass on to other members of the team, we are looking forward to another successful season.

The schedule for the coming season has not been completed. But

with teams like Vanderbilt, Tennessee, Florida, Tulane, Georgia Tech, and Kentucky already signed, the alumni and students may look forward to some thrilling and interesting games, both on the campus and away.

Track Prospects

By W. H. HUTSELL Track Coach

Track prospects for 1928 are brighter than they have been since 1925, when Auburn had what was probably her most outstanding team. While the great work of Baskin, national collegiate hurdle champion, and Morrow, two mile record holder, will be missed, the team will have more balance than in 1926-27.

balance than in 1926-27.

Euil "Snitz" Snider is captain of this year's team, and Louie Tamplin, alternate captain. Snider was one of the greatest sprinters in America in 1926, but was out most of the time last year due to the mumps epidemic on the track team. Tamplin has been the leading half miler during the past

two years. Other outstanding performers will be Beard, who was second only to Baskin, in both hurdles, and Robinson, Southeastern A. A. U. champion and record holder in the javelin. Duncan and Helms will take care of the mile and Carter, the shot Other non-letter men and discus. who should be classed as point scorers are: Creel and Boyd in the pole vault, Walters and Teague in the two mile, Broughton in the sprints, Stoves in the javelin, Virgin, Anderson, Heinz and Burnett in the high jump, Turner in the weights, Aldrich, Morrow, Clayton, McClendon and Bottoms in the distances.

Freshman Prospects

By R. C. Brown Freshman Coach

Prospects for freshman teams in the several branches of major and minor sports, from all reports, seem to be unusually good. Just how good cannot be determined, of course, until the men are tried under the fire of contests with other college freshmen.

The close of the 1926 varsity football season brought to light the fact that the number of backfield players who would return for the next one or two years far surpassed the possible linemen both in numbers and years of eligibility. With this in mind, we have worked to secure capable linemen on this year's freshman team.

Among the 125 freshmen to report for football practice will be found several outstanding prep school linemen. At present, Jacobs of Bessemer, who weight 250 pounds Newton of Greenville, weight 205 pounds; Taylor of Birmingham, 190 pounds; Dreaden of Evergreen, 185; Harkins, 185; together with Bearden of Bessemer, Frazier of Columbus, Georgia, and Ezzel seem to have the edge on the other candidates for a place on the freshman line. Taylor is a brother to "Baby" Taylor and resembles him much in appearance.

There are several fairly nice looking backfield prospects, among whom are Bell and Sullivan of Anderson, South Carolina, Wingo of Birmingham, Breezy Winn of Atlanta, Herron of Tallassee and Chambless of Huntsville. These men will range from 150 to 185 pounds in weight and sev-

eral of them are unusually fast.

We again lack a capable punter. None of the backs seem at all adept in this particular phase of the game.

There are several outstanding prep school baseball and track men in this year's freshman class. Ben Newton is a very good hitter and outfielder. Breezy Winn and Harkins are reported to be pitchers par excellance. Shanks, DeBardeleben, Bell and Taylor are some of the tracksters who hope to keep Auburn a leader in this branch.

I wish to say that the alumni have done good work in keeping the athletic department posted on prospective athletes and have done much in helping us direct these men to Auburn.

Walter Camp Memorial Certificate Received

A certificate recognizing the contribution of \$750 made by Auburn to the Walter Camp Memorial has been received by the college.

The certificate reads: "Erected by the universities, colleges and schools of America as a memorial to Walter Camp, 'Father of Ameri-The Alabama Polycan Football.' technic Institute by its contribution has aided this national tribute to the memory of a great sportsman. On the certificate are pictures of the famous athlete and coach ready for action in 1878, on the sidelines in 1924 and a sketch of the memorial gateway, wall and plaza that form the approach to the Walter Camp Fields of the Yale University. The sportsmanship code as typified by the life of Camp completes the document.

The name of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute will be cut in the stone wall flanking the memorial gateway. This is a material expression of collegiate America to the lover of clean sports, the greatheart of American football.

The certificate will be framed and hung in the Alumni Gymnasium.

Pistol Team Loses by One Point in National Meet

If Auburn's pistol team could have scored two additional points, it would have won for the fourth consecutive year the pistol competition of schools having an R. O. T. C. unit of Field Artillery. As a result, the honor this year went to Purdue University with a score of 1529, while a total for the Auburn team was 1528. Word to this effect was received by Maj. John T. Kennedy from Washington shortly before the opening of the fall semester. During the last five years, Auburn has won three first places and two seconds.

Bronze medals will be awarded members of the team.

Competition in the contest was keen, the leading universities and colleges being represented in the match. The University of Missouri stood third with a score of 1509; the University of Utah, fourth, with a score of 1494; and the University of Oklahoma, fifth, with a score of 1488.

Other colleges with high scores in order showing their rank are Iowa State College of A. & M. Arts, Colorado Agricultural College, Princeton University, which won the contest in 1925, and the Oregon Agricultural.

S. S. Tatum and F. J. Bryant, with scores of 308, lacked one point of equaling the individual high score which was won by F. D. Sturkes of Purdue with a total of 309. All members of the Auburn team shot scores well above 300.

The Auburn pistol team was again coached by Lieut. W. B. Lietch, Field Artillery, members of the R. O. T. C. staff. The members of the Auburn team with their home addresses are S. S. Tatum, Longview; F. J. Bryant, Gadsden; E. F. Pruitt, Pine Hill; E. W. Root, Huntsville and D. P. Johnson, Atlanta.

MISS EMILY HARE

Professor and Mrs. Clifford Le-Roy Hare, '92 and '99 respectively announce the engagement of their daughter Emily '25 to Philip Henry Hardi '21 of Brooklyn, New York. The wedding will take place Nov. 8.



CAPTAIN "POP" PATERSON



BOLTON SHOTTS

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"Pop" bids fair to become the South's leading center this year. His rapid devolpment in this capacity last season was highly gratifying to Coach Morey. As captain of this year's Tiger machine his genial nature makes him extremely popular with his mates. In both the Stetson and Clemson games his defensive work was outstanding.

This husky two hundred pounder is the son of William B. Paterson of Montgomery who played guard on the Tiger team of 1899 and 1900 and who now is a prominent florist with the Rosemont Gardens in the capital city. In addition to football "Pop" is taking an Agricultural course, displaying a particular bent toward horticulture. His fraternity brothers say, "Ask Pop", when a strange plant, flower or tree is to be identified.

ALT. CAPT. BOLTON SHOTTS

Though Shotts is not a large man he has wonderful driving ability as a fullback. He is fast and can plunge a line with deadly effect for the opposition. As a defensive man Bolton has few peers. When backing up the line his terrific tackles are accurate and of frequent occurrence.

Slight early season injuries have hampered this sturdy lad from Bexar during the opening games, but he will be himself again before the big games arrive.

Shott's likeable nature and his love of hard work fit him to assist Captain Paterson in leading the 1927 Tigers.

"SNITZ" SNIDER

It was at the Oak Grove High School in Jefferson county that Snider began his football career. Here he was one of the fastest men to be found in the state of Alabama.

His first year at Auburn he was on the Freshman squad but the coaches did not realize what a valuable man he was until near the end of the season. He only played in the last two games, but made a name for himself in the game against Ft. Benning. In this game he grabbed a pass and ran eighty five yards for a touchdown.

Though he did not make a letter during his Sophomore year last season, Snider came back into the limelight by starting of this year as a first string man. He was in the majority of the games at halfback. In the Sewanee game last year Snider



EUIL SNIDER

was at his best. Many times he hit the Purple line for consistent gains, and was on the receiving end of the pass that resulted in the lone touchdown of the tilt.

MIKE FISHER

Mike Fisher, running under his new title of "Rabbitt" Harris, is expected to come through with all the accomplishments of the one for whom he is named.

Fisher hails from LaGrange, Georgia, where he made a fine record in high school, being picked on the all-state prep school team. This summer Mike kept in trim by carrying ice.

Saturday against Florida this dashing young iceman, playing his second year at the halfback position, will help carry the orange and blue to a glorious position as one of Coach Morey's outstanding Auburn Tigers.

"BUCK" ELLIS

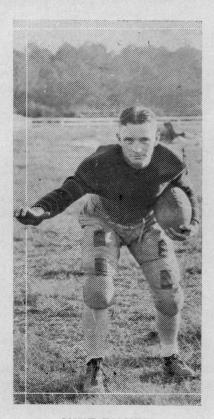
"Buck" Ellis, the Marvel flash, entered Auburn as the leading star of the Simpson High eleven. While here he has upheld his previous standard by earning a letter in three major sports.

Ellis is no new man on the gridiron, having earned for himself much praise by his alertness, ability, and gameness. This season he will very likely be Coach Morey's chief punter.

A NATIONAL CHAMPION

"Carrolton, Georgia Friday night honored a great athlete and a splendid young man—Weems O. Baskin, Jr., native son of that city and national intercollegiate high hurdles champion.

"A banquet was given in his honor by the citizens at the high school building, and in addition to hearing the nice things said about him by the speaker, Weems receiv-



MIKE FISHER



"BUCK" ELLIS

ed through Major L. J. Brock, a handsome silver trophy from his fellow townsmen.

"Baskin, for three years, has been the champion high hurdler of the South. This year at the national meet at Chicago, Weems won the high hurdles event easily from a classy field and came within two-tenths of a second of equaling the world's record. He and Ed Hamm, of Georgia Tech, were the first southern boys to win first place berths in the national. Hamm was the champion broad jumper of the meet. Both of these boys will be on the American Olympic team in international competition.

"Baskin is not only a national figure on the cinder path but he also was a football star on the Auburn team. The festivities Friday night were given under the auspices of the Carrol club, of Carrollton, of which Dr. Thomas R. Luck is president."

This notice appeared in an August number of the Atlanta Journal.

Though Weems has exhausted his years of eligibility here at Auburn he is back doing additional study and writing sports for some of the papers. He will start training for the Olympic games on the 1st of January.

Auburn Alumni Win

Birmingham News says:

Auburn alumni members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Tuesday were wearing the smile of victory, acquired when their team beat the team composed of Alabama University alumni members of the organization at a baseball game Saturday

The score was 13 to 8, and the contest, according to eye-witnesses, was a heated one. The game, the first of a series to be promoted between members of the organization, was played at Jordan Park, and was umpired by Robert Shelton, athletic supervisor with the Park and Recreation Board.

The official lineup follows:

Auburn: centerfield, T. E. Phillips; shortstop, Harvey L. Kyle; catcher, C. A. Jones, Jr.; rightfield, W. P. Breen and (relief) Hunter Wallace; leftfield, Fred C. Hahn; second base, William Ware; third base, Harry Watkins; first base, Hub Hahn, and pitcher, Ralph Webb.

Alabama: Third base, Charles Lauve; shortstop, E. S. Moore; centerfield, Yancey Goodall, and (relief) W. C. Woodall; catcher, Tram Sessions; leftfield, Tom Newton; second base, Armistead Leake; first base, Walter Kennedy; rightfield, J. H. Wylie, Jr.; and pitcher, Frank Savage and (relief, Tom Newton.

Robert M. Beasley, '20, is now in the executive department of the United Fruit Co. with offices at Santa Marta, Columbia, South America. On the 21st day of last July Mr. Beasley married Miss Mary Casey, of Boston, Mass.

William Driver Drake, '25 is associated with Mr. Beasley in the above business.

R. O. T. C. Again Honored

Auburn has been selected for the eighth consecutive year as a Distinguished College by the War Department.

The message received by President Spright Dowell during the summer read as follows: "The Alabama Polytechnic Institute has been selected as a Distinguished College. The Secretary of War extends congratulations."

Thirty six colleges in the United States at the most may receive this coveted honor. During the past year ten of this number were South-

ern colleges.

So far as is known Auburn is the only college that has won this distinct honor eight consecutive years. The college received the highest rating by the War Dept. first in the 1919-20 session under Maj. Issac Spaulding, Commandant. Maj. Spaulding was suceeded by Maj. John E. Hatch who remained here four years. During the past session the cadet corps has been under the direction of Maj. John F. Kennedy.

The R. O. T. C. unit consists of the Field Artillery and the Engineers. Until recently an Infantry unit was maintained. R. O. T. C. instruction was given 1044 during the past year. Of this number 307 were in the advanced courses.

Student Comes to Auburn from South America

Traveling all the way from Central America by train, Hugo Waldeim, 18, from Zacapa, Republic of Guatemala, arrived in Auburn late in August to enroll for the fall semester in the College of Engineering. Carlos Waldheim, father of the young man and a prominent merchant, made the trip in company with his son.

Mr. Waldheim will take the four year Electrical Engineering course. He prepared for college by graduating from both a high school and normal school in Central America, Instituto de Verones de Oriente at Chiquimula and the Normal School of Jalapa.



EMMETT E. BINFORD

IN MEMORIAM

The entire Auburn family is deeply grieved at the death of Emmett E. Binford on Monday, August 15, at 8 p. m. Following an operation for appendicitis complications arose which necessitated a second operation as a last resort. This proved insufficient to save his life, however, and death resulted while in an Opelika hospital.

Mr. Binford was a district agent with the Extension Service. Mr. L. N. Duncan, director of Extension, had this to say concerning Mr. Binford's death: "Mr. Binford was one of the most competent and dependable men in our organization. His work for the past nine years has been of the highest quality and his death is keenly felt by agricultural workers over the entire State."

Funeral services were held from the Binford home Wednesday mornin, August 17, Dr. J. R. Edwards, pastor of the Auburn Baptist Church, officiating. Interment was made in the Auburn cemetery. The magnificent floral offerings gave evidence of the many friends whose hearts were saddened by the death of Mr. Binford.

Silas Charles Dowdell, B. S., '98 died August 23 of heart trouble following an illness of two days at the home of his son-in-law, Homer Wright, in Auburn.

H. O. Burgess, '17, who received his M. A. degree in History from Emory University recently, is teaching in the city schools of Atlanta. Mr. Burgess paid the alumni office a visit during August.

The following notice appeared in a Ft. Worth, Texas, newspaper in August: "Open house will be maintained by Reid and Bywaters, Inc., distributor-dealers for General Electric refrigerators, at their offices, 703 Throckmorton Street, this week. Visitors will be shown through the office and allowed to inspect the electrical refrigerating machines until 9 o'clock each day."

C. E. Reid, '21, E. E., is the Reid refrerred to above. The article also stated that Mr. Reid was the president of this newly established firm. Mr. Bywaters, his associate and secretary-treasurer of the firm, is a graduate of the University of Texas.

Miss Sabrie Williams, '27, began work as home demonstration agent in Washington County, North Carolina, August 15.

Dr. John B. Clark, '07, recently head professor of economics at Auburn, has accepted the position of dean and professor of history at Judson College. Dr. Clark and his family moved to Marion to begin the new work September 1.

Thomas P. Lee, graduate, '25, is now county agent in Bibb County, with headquarters at Centerville.

Dr. S. A. Wingard, '16, and Miss Mildred Baker of Birmingham, were married at the Norwood Methodist Church, Birmingham, September 15. Dr. Wingard is on the faculty of Virginia Polytechnic Institute, at Blacksburg, Va.

Brig. General John B. McDonald, commandant at Auburn 1888-1891, died March 16, 1926, at Walter Reeds Hospital, Washington, D. C. The General was an outstanding military man, devoting his entire life to the service of the United States. He served with distinction in the Phillippines and in the World War in France and Belgium, being honored both by the U.S. and by foreign nations. He also saw service in many parts of the United States. He served as Lieut. Colonel in the Spanish-American War and in addition to acting as commandant at Auburn from 1888 to 1891, was professor of military science and tactics in South Carolina Military Academy. During his long career, he held various commissions in the infantry and cavalry. Alabama has contributed many great men to military service and General McDonald undoubtedly ranked among the greatest of them. He was an honor to his state and to his nation.

Thos. E. Beasley, '09, is in the electrical supply business in Chicago. His address is 310 So. Michigan Blvd.

Auburn has had several alumni guests on the campus recently, among them being R. M. McCulloh, B. S., '05, from Lynn, Massachusetts. He is at present working with the Automobile Parts Company.

From Gadsden, Alabama, comes F. R. Allison, president of Citizen's Building and Loan Association, who has not been to see us in 26 years. He says he hardly knew the place.

He says he hardly knew the place. Mr. Joel Nalley, '25, was seen on the Auburn campus last week. He is now employed by American Telegraph and Telephone Company, Charlotte, N. C. J. P. Wilson, '15, succeeds the late Mr. Binford as district agent. For eleven years Mr. Wilson has been county agent in Covington County. He will move to Auburn.

Dr. W. L. Blain has been elected head of the department of biology at the Southeastern State Teachers College, Durant, Oklahoma. Doctor Blain has been connected with the botany department at Auburn since 1925.

Prof. G. T. Sargent, assistant state supervisor of vocational teachers, left Auburn September 15, for Cornell University, where he will spend a year in graduate work.

Harry Sparks, who is with the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, was in Auburn last week. He is especially interested in electrical instruments and we learn that he is one of the most prominent meter experts with the Westinghouse company. His newest invention is a stroboscotic method of reading meters, which has been rated by one of highest authoities as greatest improvement made in metering service. Mr. Sparks gave the college some years ago a Westinghouse recording watt meter of the highest grade.

R. Y. Bailey, '16, joined the staff of the Experiment Station at Auburn. He resigned his position as county agent of Randolph County to accept this new work.

Mr. T. W. Clift, B. S., '16, M. S., '26 is at the head of the department of chemistry in Tech High School, Atlanta.

After several years of work as agricultural agent of the Southern Railway and as county agent in Tennessee, J. D. Moore, '16, is back in Alabama as a marketing specialist for the Extension Service.

F. E. Bertram, '27, is a member of the Experiment Station Staff.

Prof. C. L. Isbell has returned from Michigan State College where he did graduate work in horticulture during the first summer session.

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Dr. L. E. Miles, who has been connected with the Extension Service for the past five years as plant pathologist, will begin work September 1, as associate plant pathologist at the State College of Washington with headquarters at Pullman. His work will consist of teaching and research.

Among the alumni and former students at Auburn who have sons or daughters entering the freshman class this session are: J. R. Rutland, 01, head professor of English Department, A. P. I., son James R. Rutland, Jr., registered in freshman architecture; W. P. Moon, '04, whose daughter Grace Gordon, is also registered in freshman architecture; C. C. Moon, photograpper, Andalusia, whose son Carlos is registered as a freshman in general course; M. H. Letcher, planter and merchant, Shorters, is represented by his son John T. Letcher, as a freshman in pharmacy; B. G. Jennings, merchant, Seale, Alabama, son Ben Hollan Jennings, freshman in general course; W. W. Hill, B. S., '97, E. & M. E., '98, professor of electrical engineering A. P. I., son W. W. Hill, Jr., freshman in electrical engineering; W. B. Hamilton, B. S., '02, M. S., '03, mechani-Engineer, Birmingham, son, William A. Hamilton, freshman in civil engineering; E. F. Enslen, Jr., Birmingham, son Eugene Rogers, freshamn in architectural engineering; E. F. Enslen, Jr., of Birmingham, son Eugene Rogers, freshman in architecutral engineering; Wm. R. Coleman, civil and mining engineer, Birmingham, son Wm. R. Coleman, Jr., who is taking electrical engineering; J. V. Brown, M. S., '95, son Travis Tabor Brown, freshman in the general course and H. T. DeBardeleben, '92, son Bailey Thomas DeBardeleben, freshman in civil engineering.

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